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The Statistics Administration of the Ukrainian SSR announces the following data on the fulfillment of the first-quarter 1949 plan for the restoration and development of the national economy in the Ukrainian SSR.

Enterprises of the various ministries completed the first-quarter gross-production plan as follows:

	Percent
Ministry of Metallurgical Industry	102
Ministry of Coal Industry	105
Ministry of Petroleum Industry	109
Ministry of Electric Power Plants	102
Ministry of Chemical Industry	104
Ministry of Electrical Industry	108
Ministry of Heavy Machine Building	102
Ministry of Automobile and Tractor Industry	103
Ministry of Machine-Tool Building	100
Ministry of Machine and Instrument Building	99.3
Ministry of Construction- and Road-Machine Building	106
Ministry of Transport-Machine Building	108
Ministry of Communications Equipment Industry	112
Ministry of Agricultural-Machine Building	104
Ministry of Construction Materials Industry USSR	105
Ministry of Timber and Paper Industry USSR	97
Ministry of Light Industry USSR	103
Ministry of Fish Industry USSR	99.9
Ministry of Meat and Dairy Industry USSR	118
Ministry of Food Industry USSR	107
Ministry of Local Industry Ukrainian SSR	102
Ministry of Local Fuel Industry Ukrainian SSR	116
Ministry of Furniture and Woodcraft Industry Ukrainian SSR	112
Trade and Timber Cooperatives and Invalids' Cooperatives	102
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The first-quarter gross-production plan was fulfilled 104 percent by the entire industry of the Ukrainian SSR, including Republic and local industry—103.7 percent.

The Ministry of Local Industry Ukrainian SSR, the Ministry of Light Industry Ukrainian SSR, the Ukrainian Council of Cooperative Industry, the Ukrainian Union of Millwork Cooperatives, and the Ukrainian Council of Livelids' Cooperatives, in spite of fulfilling the gross-production plan as a whole, failed to complete the plan for a number of important products.

Quantity of production of main types of products in the first quarter of 1949 increased over the first quarter of 1948 as follows:

	1st Quarter 49 in % of 1st Quarter 48
Pig iron	133
Steel	159
Rolled steel	163
Coke	132
Iron ore	120
Manganese ore	137
Coal	115
Petroleum	101
Electric power (Ministry of Electric Power Plants)	129
Trunk-line locomotives	130
Standard electric motors for alternating current	157
Explosion-proof electric motors	113
Excavators	192
Tractors	178
Tractor plows	176
Tractor sowing machines	215
Grain combines	196
Harvesting machines	162
Grain cleaners	127
Bicycles	123
Wagon chassis and carts	116
Caustic soda	154
Soda ash	149
Superphosphate	173
Timber hauling	105
Lumber	146
Paper	132
Cement	142
Asbestos-cement slate	117
Window glass	134
Wood planes	135
Plates and dishes	184
Cups and saucers	318
Knives	116
Cotton fabric	164
Wool fabric	170
Sockings and socks	204
Leather shoes	147
Pencils	309
Notebooks	104
Meat	123
Butter	143
Vegetable oil	131
Raw alcohol	159
Cigarettes	144
Marlboro tobacco	127
Soap	190

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In the first quarter of 1949, gross industrial production of the Ukrainian SSR increased 36 percent over the first quarter of 1948.

Ukrainian machine-tractor stations completed the winter-repair plan for tractors ahead of schedule.

By 15 April 1949, Ukrainian kolkhozes and sovkhozes had planted spring grain crops covering 675,400 hectares more than in the same period of 1948.

The State plan for the organization of forest exploitation stations and tree nurseries has been completely fulfilled.

The plan for spring planting of forest belts was fulfilled 145 percent by 20 April, and planting in tree nurseries, 175 percent.

In the first quarter of 1949, average daily loading on Ukrainian railroads increased 16 percent over the first quarter of 1948, including ferrous metals 26 percent, coal 11, ore 27, cement 63, petroleum 11, timber 42, and grain 25 percent.

The first-quarter plan for average daily loading was fulfilled 103 percent by Ukrainian railroads.

Freight transport by enterprises of the Ministry of Automobile Transport Ukrainian SSR, in the first quarter 1949 increased 18 percent over first quarter 1948, and passenger automobile transport increased 127 percent. However, the freight-transport plan in ton-kilometers was not completed in the first quarter of 1949.

Capital construction in the first quarter of 1949 for the whole Ukrainian SSR was 133 percent of the first-quarter 1948 volume, including capital construction work in the metallurgical industry 140 percent, coal industry 121 percent, and power plants 128 percent.

Capital construction by Republic enterprises in the first quarter 1949 was 124 percent of the first quarter 1948, including housing construction of local soviets, 138 percent.

After the lowering of State retail prices for consumers' goods on 1 March 1949, the sale of goods by trading enterprises and retail commodity turnover increased. During March 1949, sales of the following products were considerably larger than in February 1949: meat products, butter, vegetable oil, sugar, fish products, wool fabric, silk fabric, leather shoes, stockings and socks, tobacco products, sewing articles, radio receivers, phonographs, bicycles, motorcycles, and timepieces. Kolkhoz market prices dropped 40 percent in the first quarter 1949, as compared with the first quarter 1948.

The total number of workers and employees in the national economy of the Ukrainian SSR in the first quarter 1949 increased by 776,000 persons as against the first quarter 1948.

During the first quarter 1949, 57,000 young, skilled workers finished 720 schools and were sent to work in industrial enterprises, on construction projects, and in transport.

Transportation of passengers by streetcars increased 29 percent in the first quarter 1949, as compared with the first quarter 1948, and trolley bus transportation increased 63 percent. Water supply by municipal water pipes increased 11 percent.

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